

Department of Information Services' Legislative Update

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HB 1155/SB 5463 – creates a pilot project for military and overseas voting over the Internet. The House bill is dead in Rules; Senate version has been referred to House State Government committee. By request of Secretary of State, supported by DIS.

ESHB 1218/SSB 5269 – creates a building mapping information system to help first responders. Gives the authority to create the database to the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs. Amendments to incorporate language referring to the Information Services Board have been completed by the House and the Senate. The bills have been referred to Senate Judiciary and House State Government, respectively.

SHB 1271/SSB5975 – creates the State Interoperability Executive Committee, makes the SIEC a standing subcommittee of the ISB, requires inventory and statewide plan reports to the Legislature starting in December 2003. Both bills have passed respective houses; referred to Senate Technology & Telecommunications and House Technology, Telecommunications & Energy committees. Jointly supported by WSP, DIS, and National Guard/Emergency Management Division.

ESHB 1360 – gives the ISB the authority to add non-voting members as needed. Floor amendment clarified that only voting members were eligible to receive compensation for participating on the ISB. Passed the House March 06, 2003; scheduled for hearing in Senate Technology & Telecommunication committee March 20.

HB 1497/SB 5758 – renumbers criminal statutes to facilitate electronic exchange of information among criminal justice agencies; makes technical changes only. Jointly requested and supported by DIS, WSP, DOL, SGC, AOC and DOC. Both bills have passed their respective chambers and been referred to applicable judiciary committees.

SHB 1605/SB 5648 – expands and codifies the Criminal Justice Integration Act Executive Committee to include law enforcement, the judicial and legislative branches, and local government. Senate version died in Senate Judiciary; House bill has been re-referred to Senate Technology committee. Jointly supported by DIS, WSP, DOL, AOC, WASPC, DOC and others.

HB 1861 – creates a digital learning commons. The bill was not requested by the Governor, but is similar to his proposal. The bill is died in House Appropriations.

EHB 2045 – requires OFM to convene a working group of state agencies to study the feasibility of defining “common data” for state agencies. The bill passed the House and has been referred to the Senate Technology committee; DIS is listed as a participant.

Please be aware that the status of many bills may have changed by the meeting date. April 7 is the last day committee reports from fiscal and transportation committees.